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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Some of It May Interest You; All Of It Is Worth a Perusal

Relative to the Coming Bridge Bond Election

The lack of bridges at some points in the county has in the past proven costly to the people living near those points and is yearly growing more costly. Early in the present year several petitions for bridges were filed and presented to the Board of Supervisors, and it was then suggested that a bond issue was the only practicable method of providing funds to meet these demands. This suggestion met with approval, and the county attorney and county engineer were requested to prepare the data required. This was complied with and in December bridge petitions had been legally filed and estimates made as follows:

Across the Little Colorado River east of Winslow,.....	\$28,600.00
Cottonwood Creek east of Winslow,.....	2,600.00
Little Colorado River near St. Joseph,.....	15,600.00
La Roux Fork west of Holbrook,.....	2,400.00
La Roux Fork north of Holbrook,.....	2,300.00
Cottonwood Creek on Keam's Canon road,.....	2,800.00
Little Colorado River south of Woodruff,.....	1,400.00
Cottonwood Wash near Snowflake,.....	5,700.00
Silver Creek near Snowflake,.....	1,600.00

Total,.....\$63,000.00

At this time the matter has so far progressed that the Board of Supervisors have called an election on the date of January 11, 1916, as to whether bonds shall be sold for the amount of \$63,000.00 and the proceeds used for the construction of the bridges asked for. These bonds are to run for the term of twenty-five years, none of the principal to be paid during the first ten years, interest at five per cent per annum.

The assessed valuation of property in this county is approximately now \$8,000,000.00. The interest on the \$63,000.00 bonds will be \$3,100.00 annually for the first ten years, which would require an assessment of 4 cents on each \$100.00 of property to meet. (Our present road tax is 23 cents). This does not take into consideration the increase in property liable for assessment, which, computing the same ratio which has prevailed for the past ten years, would at the end of ten years require less than 1 cent tax on the hundred dollars. When the first payment on the principal of the bonds became due an assessment of 1 cent would likewise be sufficient. However, the Board saw fit to incorporate a wise proviso, making a 3 cents annual tax on each one hundred dollars of property for a sinking fund to pay the principal of the bonds when due. This will provide \$2,400.00 annually if the taxable valuation remained the same as at present, which at the end of the first ten years will amount to \$24,000.00 plus interest accumulated; but with the pro rata increase in taxable valuation this will provide a sum of \$50,000.00 plus interest, or enough to pay all the bond indebtedness at the end of ten years. By a careful study of the foregoing estimates it will be seen that little burden will be placed upon the taxpayers, so small in-

deed, as to be almost negligible. The benefit to the county at large by the construction of the bridges is something that can only be appreciated by comparing with the necessity of having them. The location of the different bridges has been produced spontaneously by the needs of the people of the county and the traveling public, and local jealousy should not prevent the broad feeling of benefit to the county at large.

In voting at the coming election it should be borne in mind that the property tax qualification requires that each voter (male or female) must have paid a property tax in his or her own name. It is probably not too late to hand in your assessment and pay your tax.

This explanation is submitted in answer to many inquiries relative to the coming election and the matters involved, and if any of them are not clearly explained this office will be glad to answer personally any questions.

CHARLES E. PERKINS,
County Engineer.

Masonic Officers Installed

A public installation of the newly elected officers of the local Masonic lodge was held in the lodge room last Monday evening. Because of the fact that many of the members of the lodge are confined to their homes by sickness the attendance was not so large as it would otherwise have been; only about thirty people being present, including the families of the members. After the ceremonies of installation an elaborate banquet was served.

Past-master L. D. Divelbess acted as installing officer and the following were inducted into office for the ensuing year: L. C. Henning, W. M.; W. B. Woods, S. W.; J. H. Scorse, J. W.; Alphonse Blum, secretary, W. R. Scorse, treasurer.

The Worshipful Master announced his appointment of other officers of the lodge, which was as follows: Sidney Sapp, S. D.; Geo. W. Hennessey, J. D.; James Donohoe and Frank Zuck, stewards; Henry Warren, chaplain; L. D. Divelbess, marshal; J. C. Paulsell, tyler.

Apache County Court Case

The hearing to establish the rightful heirs to the Curt Cronemeyer estate occupied much time and many witnesses were introduced at the hearing of the case in the Apache county superior court last week. Two bright children, a girl and a boy, named respectively Che Che Bah and Hoskey Ye Chee'Nea, were introduced in court in company with their Indian mothers and a strong case was made out to prove that they were the children of Cronemeyer. Their cause was ably championed by U. S. Attorney Thos. A. Flynn and his assistant, Gerald Jones, while the Cronemeyer heirs in Germany were represented by Hon. Isaac Barth, Peter Parquet, Indian superintendent at Fort Defiance, was appointed guardian of the children by the court. Among the prominent witnesses appearing were Antonio Apache, a cultured Indian gentleman of Los Angeles who had been associated with Mr. Cronemeyer in a business way, and Mrs. H. L. Thysing of Holbrook, both of whom appeared in behalf of the children. The final decision in this matter will not be known for 60 days.—St. Johns Observer.

Order your Christmas cakes and home-made candies from the Holbrook Bakery. All goods first class.

Editor of News Eats

Occasionally events occur in the lives of people, even in the lives of country newspapermen and their families, that cause them exceptional pleasure. Such an event occurred to the editor of The News and his wife last Sunday evening when they were dinner guests at the home of Judge and Mrs. D. J. Thomas. Other guests were Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown and Attorney C. H. Jordan.

The dinner would have delighted the palate of an epicure; none other than an adept in the culinary art could have planned and prepared it. Starting with oyster cocktails and soup, continuing through the course of roast goose and vegetables, and ending with mince pie and coffee, the menu was the work of an artist.

Mrs. Thomas was assisted in serving dinner and entertaining her guests by her daughter Rachel, a charming young school girl.

For Sale

The undersigned will sell a few articles of furniture at bargain prices. These consist in part of a bedstead, couch, stands, etc. Call on Mrs. Myers, near Easley home. 2w

The dance given by the ladies of the Relief Society at the Past-time theater Tuesday night was a decided success in every particular. One hundred tickets were sold. At 11 o'clock lunch was served; it consisted of cocoa, coffee, sandwiches, pickles, etc., and the supply was unlimited. A real good time was enjoyed by everybody, and the ladies of the society wish to thank all for their liberal patronage and wish all a Happy New Year. The use of the theater was donated by Mr. Lathrop, and part of the music was furnished free, hence a nice profit was realized by the society.

Real winter weather has prevailed in this section since last Sunday afternoon when snow began falling. The storm continued several hours and the ground was covered with snow to a depth of about 4 inches on the level. In the mountains to the north and south the fall of snow was much heavier. During the storm the mercury took a drop and for several days it seemed to be trying to find the zero mark. As yet it has not succeeded, but it may do so before long.

Max Henderson has practically finished the P. T. Coleman residence and has now started work on a garage, barn and other accessories to the home. These will be built of stucco and will cost nearly \$2000. Mr. Henderson made a fine record in constructing this residence, having completed it sometime before the date fixed in the contract; and a high standard of workmanship has been maintained throughout.

Ladies in Holbrook and vicinity are respectfully invited to call and examine my sample line of dress goods and coats. I have a large and excellent assortment, and can make you very reasonable prices. Fit and satisfaction guaranteed. Albert Warren, the tailor, opposite Hotel Holbrook.

A. D. Lathrop, proprietor of the Little Giant Cafe, has leased the Thomas Ortega billiard hall and meat market, and after some changes are made in the building will use it for a restaurant. He expects to take possession in a few days.

Fresh Jersey milk and cream at Rencher's. Phone 47. tf

The Toggery Shop has a new ad. in this issue of The News. Read it.

E. J. Marty of Indian Wells was a business visitor to Holbrook Tuesday.

—California Honey, "Lake Elsinore Apiaries".

Mrs. Julia Braam returned last Friday from a ten days' visit in Long Beach, Cal.

—"Lake Elsinore Honey", Pure, Wholesome, Delicious.

Miss Dee Moss, county recorder, spent Christmas with relatives in Winslow.

Lennie Hall, an experienced barber, has accepted a position in the Majestic Barber shop.

—Arizona Cooperative Mercantile Inst. sells "Lake Elsinore Honey", always pure.

J. C. Paulsell is again at his place of business after being confined to his home for a week by illness.

W. F. Purcell and family left here last Saturday night for Phoenix, where they will spend the winter.

Buy Certainteed roofing, the best prepared roofing made, of the Carbon City Lumber Co. Dr. J. W. Bazell returned Tuesday from Los Angeles, where he had been visiting for the last three weeks.

Julius Wetzler returned Thursday morning from Los Angeles where he had been visiting his family for two weeks.

James Donohoe returned Tuesday afternoon from California where he had spent the past month visiting the various places of interest in the state.

Call and examine our new fall and winter stock of ladies' ready-to-wear suits. It will please you both in style and price. H. H. Scorse. tf.

Mrs. Nannie Adams was granted a divorce from Edward Adams by Judge Sapp in superior court last Monday. The parties reside in Winslow.

The dance given in the U. S. theatre last Saturday night was largely attended, the music was good, and the occasion was a very enjoyable one.

Place your orders now for coal with the Carbon City Lumber Co. They handle the Victor American Fuel Co's lump coal, best on the market. tf.

The holiday season in Holbrook has been marked by gaiety. Dinner parties, dances and special features at the picture theaters have added much to the jollity of the season.

The Merchants & Stockgrowers bank mailed to their customers this week handsomely embossed cards, upon which is expressed the bank's good wishes for all its friends.

Carlos Lobato, who has been a sufferer from cancer on the face for several years, died from the effects of the disease Thursday evening. Burial occurred in the Holbrook cemetery Wednesday afternoon, the expense being borne by the county.

J. H. Woods, proprietor of the Western Transfer Co., received a new delivery wagon Tuesday and placed it in service on the streets Wednesday. The wagon is of the platform delivery style, it is operated with a team of horses and has a capacity of 5500 pounds. It was manufactured in Albuquerque and is constructed of the best quality of materials. Mr. Woods states that his business demanded increased facilities and with the addition of his new truck he is now able to handle more business and do it more easily.

NEWS And VIEWS From The CAPITAL OF ARIZONA

A decision handed down by the Arizona supreme court not only settles the prolonged dispute which has affected the state's finances since the adjournment of the legislature last spring but sets many important precedents to guide the legislature, governor and auditor in the future.

The claims which Auditor J. C. Callaghan has been holding up pending a definition of the status of the general appropriation bill by the supreme court, are ordered paid. The adjutant general's department (including the National Guard), board of control, incorporation department of the corporation commission, and the tax commission are the branches of the state government which were most vitally affected by the dispute.

On the Arizona statute books are a number of appropriations for various departments which continue from year to year until repealed. The legislature in drawing a general appropriation bill, attempted to provide for every department. In providing for each department which had a continuing appropriation the legislature added a clause to repeal that appropriation. The governor vetoed a number of sections in their entirety, which he had an unquestioned right to do under the state constitution, but attempted to veto only the repealing clauses attached to others. One of Callaghan's contentions was that the governor had no right to veto merely a part of a section.

Suit was brought in the name of Jesse L. Boyce, secretary of the tax commission, to compel Callaghan to issue the warrants he was withholding. Superior Judge R. C. Stanford, of Maricopa county, issued a writ of mandamus but Callaghan appealed to the supreme court. The supreme court modified and affirmed Stanford's decision, changing it in no essential. It is held that the governor did not have the authority to veto the repealing clauses without vetoing the entire sections to which they were attached. But the court also held that the repealing clauses had no place in a general appropriation bill and were illegal.

Part of the decision defines the auditor's duties. To audit, according to the court, means to verify. Whenever a claim, legal under some statute, is presented, it is the auditor's duty to issue a warrant, regardless of whether the legislature has made an appropriation for that particular purpose. It is strongly intimated that it is for the treasurer to say, after warrants reach him, whether there is any money in the state treasury for their payment.

Justice D. L. Cunningham wrote the decision, with Justices H. D. Ross and Alfred Franklin concurring.

Warrants are now being issued to some 500 National Guardsmen who attended the annual encampment last summer and later did strike duty at Clifton. The auditor had also been refusing to issue warrants for the pay of the governor's chauffeur or for the maintenance of the governor's car. With a force of fifty deputies, U. S. Marshal Joe Dillon is now in the Clifton-Morenci-Mescal district posting notices and serving papers on union officials and strike leaders. In compliance with an injunction granted by Judge William H. Sawtelle in the federal court at Tucson. The injunction restrains the Western Federation of Miners locals in the Greenlee strike zone from interfering with the performance of annual assessment work on the Detroit Copper company's outlying unpatented claims.

At the opening of the hearing Attorney L. Kearney, representing the unions, filed a general demurrer stating that the company would not be liable to its claims if prevented by force from doing assessment work. He also contended that the Detroit company could not legally apply to the court for an injunction until some overt act of violence had been committed in order to prevent the assessment work being done. Attorneys E. E. Ellwood and John Mason Ross, for the company, argued that under the circumstances existing in the strike district there was every reason to anticipate trouble and that it was not necessary for the court to wait for some overt act before taking action. Judge Sawtelle overruled the demurrer and, after some testimony had been introduced, issued the writ.

One of the witnesses was James G. Cash, sheriff of Greenlee county, who predicted that there would be trouble if the company attempted to send men from Duncan to do its assessment work. He contended that there were responsible contractors in the district who would undertake the work but was unable to name any.

Affidavits were introduced by the company to prove that men sent to Morenci to do assessment work had been actually interfered with.

The company planned to send between 300 and 400 men from the Duncan refugee camp to Morenci to complete the necessary assessment work before January 1.

Carrying out instructions embodied in a resolution passed at the annual meeting of the Arizona Bankers' association, M. B. Hazeltine, president of the organization, has appointed an agricultural committee. The committee is instructed to co-operate with the agricultural extension service of the University of Arizona in the furtherance of improved methods of agriculture and the betterment of rural life. The committee is made up of the following well known bankers: N. D. Sanders, J. T. Gillen, Phoenix; D. J. Thomas, Holbrook; Tenny Williams, Tucson; Lerol C. Snow, Thatcher.

Lon L. Harmon, of Tempe and Phoenix, has been appointed to the place on the Live Stock Sanitary board left vacant when R. G. Brady, of Tucson, resigned. Mr. Harmon owns many cattle in Yavapai county.

H. B. 5779, introduced by Congressman Carl Hayden, appropriates \$50,000 for the establishment of a government fish hatchery somewhere in Arizona. Last spring the legislature passed a bill giving the government authority to establish such a hatchery in any Arizona stream.

The Phoenix Chamber of Commerce is to issue a call for a conference of representatives of Arizona commercial bodies for the purpose of discussing the maintenance of a permanent state exhibit at the San Diego exposition. The conference is to be held in Phoenix early in January.

Under an order of the corporation commission, all railroads doing business in Arizona are required to furnish before February 15 all data regarding their passenger business during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915. On March 1 a hearing will be held and subsequently the commission will decide if an order fixing the maximum passenger fare at three cents a mile, shall be issued.

Pierce W. Butler, generally known as Ben Butler, died suddenly at his home in Phoenix, of Bright's disease. He was 64 years old and a native of Ireland. He arrived in Phoenix 35 years ago and engaged in the restaurant business. Subsequently he became interested in the liquor business, which he conducted on the plane of honesty and fairness which won for him the respect of all; even the most earnest temperance workers always had a good word for Ben Butler. At the time of his death he was the owner of much property in Phoenix.

Last Friday a team belonging to S. M. Porter of St. Joseph, driven by him, became frightened near the A. C. M. I. warehouse and ran west to the Union Oil company's supply station where it collided with a telegraph pole. One of the horses struck the pole with his head and was so badly hurt that he had to be shot. The other horse stripped himself of his harness and continued towards home. Mr. Porter was thrown from the wagon and was badly bruised. The horse killed was one of a span for which Mr. Porter recently paid \$500.

Mrs. J. W. Plunkett and children returned last Sunday night from Albuquerque where they had spent several months.

The board of county supervisors has been in session since yesterday morning. This is the last meeting of the board for the year 1915, and the semiannual reports of the various county officers will be examined and passed upon. The regular meeting of the board for January will be held next Monday, the third day of the month and of the new year.

The annual meeting of the stockholders in the Merchants & Stockgrowers Bank will be held in the directors room of the bank next Tuesday.

Operator Cahoon, of the local Santa Fe station, returned Tuesday night from Kansas City, where he had spent a month visiting relatives.